



# RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES ONCE A WEEK BLUE BIN CURBSIDE COLLECTION

**Recyclables must be set out for collection by 7:00 a.m.**

## **ACCEPTABLE:**

### **PAPER**



- Newspapers, inserts, unwanted mail, telephone books, paperback & hardcover books, magazines, catalogues, computer & office paper, corrugated cardboard, cereal & other boxes, tissue paper  
Examples: paper used to wrap gifts.
- All other clean and dry paper

**TIPS:** No need to cut, tie, or flatten cardboard boxes. Plastic "windows" and staples in paper items are OK.

### **PLASTIC BOTTLES, & CONTAINERS**



- Narrow-neck plastic bottles that contained food, drink and household products. Examples: milk, juice, water, syrup, vegetable oil, salad dressing, cleaning, detergent, shampoo/conditioner
- Plastic food-grade tubs and lids. Examples: margarine/butter tubs, cottage cheese, yogurt, sour cream, mayonnaise, whipped topping, peanut butter, deli containers, prescription bottles
- Plastic pails/buckets. Examples: ice cream, detergent, pet food, kitty litter
- Plastic flower pots
- Plastic beverage cups

**TIPS:** The resin code numbers found on the bottom of plastic containers and bottles (nos. 1- 7) are no longer used to determine acceptability

## **UNACCEPTABLE :**

### **PAPER**

- packing material such as styrofoam or plastic
- waxed paper
- carbon paper
- beverage containers such as milk or juice cartons, and most frozen food packaging (These are coated with a thin plastic film, which most paper recycling processes are not set up to handle.)
- paper or cardboard contaminated with paint, chemicals, food, or kitty litter.
- foil gift wrap
- paper towels, napkins, or tissues (These are paper products, but are frequently contaminated with food or other materials.)
- Photographs/photographic paper, because of the coatings used on this type of paper.

### **PLASTIC**

- Any plastic bottle or container that held hazardous automotive or garden products. Examples: motor oil, antifreeze and pesticides
- Plastic wrap and bags
- Polystyrene and Styrofoam™ products



**TURN OVER FOR MORE LISTINGS**



## **ACCEPTABLE CONTINUED**



**GLASS** All food and beverage jars and bottles made of glass.

### **LIDS, LABELS & RINGS**

- Attached metal lids --tuck the lid inside the can. Then place the can into blue bin.
- Detached metal lids --If possible, put detached lid into can, and squeeze can to trap lid inside. Otherwise, place detached, loose lid into your blue bin.

### **ALUMINUM FOIL PRODUCTS**

All metal food, beverage, pet food cans, aluminum foil products. Examples: foil wrap, pie plates, food trays. Tins from cookies, fruit cakes, popcorn, similar items

## **UNACCEPTABLE CONTINUED**

### **GLASS**

- Any other glass or ceramic products
- Window glass
- Mirrors

**No aerosol cans. Please dispose of these in your trash.**

For more details:

**<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/dep/solidwaste/collectionservices/index.asp>**